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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6997

BILL NUMBER: SB 223

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 30, 2003

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Local Government Efficiency Study Commission.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Long

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes the Local Government Efficiency and Financing Study Commission.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Summary of Net State Impact: The Commission would be given a budget of approximately \$15,000, based on Legislative Resolution 03-02. This amount could vary per interim depending on future Legislative Council resolutions.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Commission will have a total of 24 members and is charged with conducting a study of ways to replace ad valorem property taxes as a local government funding source.

It will consist of eight legislative members, of which four are members of the Senate and four are members of the House of Representatives. The Commission will also have 16 lay members. The Governor will appoint four members: (a) a mayor of a third class city; (b) a business representative; (c) a labor representative; and (d) an economic development professional. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives will each choose a member from the following categories: (a) county commissioner; (b) second class city mayor; (c) second class city council member; (d) county council member; (e) township trustee; and (f) private citizen. The Commission would expire December 1, 2004.

The Commission is to operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. According to Legislative Council Resolution 03-02, the Commission would be given a budget of \$15,000 for having at least 16 members. Funds would come from those appropriated to the Legislative

Council from the state General Fund to pay for per diem and travel expenses. Currently, the Legislator per diem is \$134 per member and the lay member per diem is \$75 per member.

The Legislative Services Agency will staff the Commission.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Legislative Council Resolution 03-02.

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